Society of American Archivists Foundation
Board of Directors Meeting
August 2, 2019
Austin, Texas

Consent Agenda: Ratify Board Interim Actions
(Prepared by Governance Manager Felicia Owens)

BACKGROUND

Current parliamentary policy agrees on validating board decisions made remotely, and ratifying the Board’s online and conference call decisions via the Consent Agenda does not conflict with any existing SAA policy.

DISCUSSION

Given the Board’s use of an e-mail discussion list to function as a group and make decisions remotely, approving interim Board actions via the Consent Agenda contributes to streamlining the group’s work and improves access to the interim decisions of the SAA Foundation’s elected decision makers.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the following interim actions taken by the Board between November 28, 2018, and April 24, 2019, be ratified:

- Approved the November 4-5, 2018, Board of Directors meeting minutes. (November 28, 2018)

- Approved funding for the following five grant applications for the 2019 cycle: (April 24, 2019)
  - Develop workshops and a toolkit related to the Protocols for Native American Archival Materials, submitted by Stephen Curley, Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Archives, funded in the amount of $5,000.
  - Initiate the project “Documenting Asian American Community Music Ensembles,” submitted by Eric Hung, Music of Asian America Research Center, funded in the amount of $5,000.
o Implement a regional emergency response plan, submitted by Tracie Gieselmann-Holthaus, Special Collections and Archives, Missouri State University, funded in the amount of $2,500.

o Write biographical Wikipedia entries about American archivists, especially women and archivists of color, submitted by April Anderson-Zorn, Illinois State University, funded in the amount of $4,134.

o Create a workbook related to the Protocols for Native American Archival Materials to assist institutions holding such materials, submitted by Liza Posas, The Autry Museum, funded in the amount of $5,000.